

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., n/k/a QWEST CORPORATION, AND SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P.	DOCKET NO. NIA-97-17
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**ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO NEGOTIATED
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**

(Issued May 10, 2001)

On April 2, 2001, U S WEST Communications, Inc., n/k/a Qwest Corporation, and Sprint Communications Company, L.P. (Sprint), filed a sixth amendment to their negotiated interconnection agreement to add terms and conditions for single point of presence in the LATA. The proceeding was identified as Docket No. NIA-97-17. The Utilities Board (Board), on October 6, 1997, had approved the initial negotiated interconnection agreement. Review by the Board of this amendment is pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). On April 13, 2001, the Board issued an order allowing any interested party the opportunity to submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the amendment within 30 days of the filing. No comments were filed.

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A), the Board may reject a negotiated interconnection agreement or amendment if it finds either (1) the agreement or amendment discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or (2) the implementation of the agreement or amendment is not

consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Based upon the record made in this docket, the filed amendment does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier and is not inconsistent with the public purpose and will be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Amendment No. 6 to the negotiated interconnection agreement filed on April 2, 2001, by U S West Communications, Inc., n/k/a Qwest Corporation, and Sprint Communications Company, L.P., is approved to be effective upon the issuance of this order.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 10th day of May, 2001.